

Applied Studies

The Applied Studies Curriculum is designed for students who seek a degree that recognizes the value of experience and work as part of college learning. It assists individuals in their preparation for career advancement or change. With the Coordinator, the student will develop an individualized program of study directly related to career or educational preferences.

This select curriculum has three components: (1) a 24-credit core curriculum; (2) 15 credits of directed electives; and (3) 21 credits of concentration courses that have a unifying career or personal focus; a block of 6 to 18 credits of these 21 credits must be earned through portfolio evaluation.

CURRICULUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

This is a select curriculum. Prospective students must attend a program orientation prior to admission. All students need to take the College's placement tests at their time of entry into the College. Students who are identified as needing developmental coursework must satisfactorily complete the appropriate English and mathematics courses as part of the curriculum. Students are accepted into the curriculum upon successful completion of their portfolio review and the awarding of Applied Studies block credits.

PROGRAM OF STUDY AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

A minimum of 60 credits and a grade point average of 2.0 are required for graduation with an Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree in Applied Studies.

Recommended Course Sequence	Course Number and Name	Prerequisite or Corequisite	Credits
Curriculum Core Courses and Electives - Applied Studies Curriculum			
3	ENGL 101 - English Composition I		3
4	Math Elective (Math 118 or higher)		3
5	CIS 103 - PC Applications (or equivalent)		3
6, 10	Social Science Electives		6
7	ENGL 102 - English Composition II or ENGL 112 - Report and Technical Writing	ENGL 101 ENGL 101	3
8	Science Elective		3/4
9	Humanities Elective		3

Directed Electives

11-15 Directed electives require students to choose at least three credits from each category of communications, critical thinking, and technology. Students are encouraged to take courses in sequence in the same discipline. A total of 15 credits is required. See Course Selection Guide below.

Concentration Courses

1, 2, 16-20 Students must earn at least 21 credits in an area of concentration. Courses must have a clear unifying focus in an individualized plan of study designed in collaboration with and approved by the Coordinator. Between 6 to 18 of the required 21 credits must be earned through portfolio assessment as block credits in Applied Studies. These Applied Studies credits will be awarded upon acceptance into the Curriculum. Concentration courses may not be taken until block credit is awarded through portfolio assessment.

One of the courses chosen for this curriculum must fulfill the College's American Diversity Requirement.

Total to Graduate: 60 credits minimum

For More Information Contact:

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APPLIED STUDIES COURSE SELECTION GUIDE - DIRECTED ELECTIVES

Communications

BHHS 105, BHHS 106¹, ENGL 114², ENGL 115³, and ENGL 116³.

Critical Thinking

ANTH 112, ANTH 202⁴, ANTH 211⁴, ANTH 215⁵, ADC 221², ADC 222⁶, ART 103, ART 104, ART 205, CHEM 105⁷, CHEM 106⁸, ENGL 208², ENGL 209², ENGL 211², ENGL 212², ENGL 221², ENGL 222², ENGL 232², ENGL 241², ENGL 245², ENGL 246², ENGL 250², ENGL 251², HIST 101, HIST 102, HLTH 110, HUM 120², HUM 130², HUM 180², HUM 190², LEAD 104, LEAD 114, MATH 150⁹, MATH 155⁹, PHIL 111, PHIL 211, PHIL 252, SOC 212¹⁰, SOC 215¹¹, SOC 231¹⁰, and SOC 233¹⁰.

Technology

For purposes of this Curriculum, approved courses from the following disciplines that specifically use technology in that field are considered to be technology courses: architecture, automotive technology, CAD, computer forensics, computer information systems, computer science, construction technology, dietetics, electronics, engineering, paralegal, and photographic imaging. (See Applied Studies Coordinator for list.)

¹Prerequisite: BHHS 105, ²Prerequisite: ENGL 101, ³Prerequisite: ENGL 101 or ENGL 114,

⁴Prerequisite: ENGL 101 plus one of the following: ANTH 101, ANTH 112 or SOC 101, ⁵Prerequisite: Any social or behavioral course, ⁶Prerequisite: ADC 221, ⁷Prerequisite: ENGL 101 ready,

⁸Prerequisite: CHEM 105, ⁹Prerequisite: MATH 118 or equivalent placement, ¹⁰Prerequisite: ANTH 112, SOC 101 or SSCI 102, ¹¹Prerequisite: ANTH 112 or SOC 101